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Metropolitan Police officers lead John Skinner away in handcuffs (l.) after firefighters talked him down from a 12-story high crane. Skinner was later treated at the GW Hospital.

## University to build as planned, minus WETA

BY JARED SHER  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

GW's and WETA's plans for a new building on campus may be dead, but the University is still planning to build a new communications facility on its own, GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg said Tuesday.

WETA, a public radio and television station, announced last week that it is no longer interested in a project with the University to build a joint facility for classrooms and broadcast space.

A station spokesperson said that the Advisory Neighborhood Commission, which has opposed the project, stymied the efforts with zoning appeals.

The University, however, still plans to erect a new building on the lot at 21st and H streets, next to the 2000 Pennsylvania Ave. shopping complex. While the original plans called for the school and the broadcaster to share the space, Trachtenberg said that GW will now use the entire building to meet its need for new classrooms.

The proposed building will house offices and classrooms for GW's National Center for Communications Studies. Trachtenberg said there is no new timetable for construction, since the University now has to submit new plans for the building.

"We're going to have a new building for the communications program," he said, adding that WETA was forced away from the project because it could no longer afford to wait. "The time element was more imperative to WETA. But GW has been here 175 years. We're not so easily discouraged."

The ANC fought against the original proposal in part because some members felt a broadcast facility would be a risk to the environment. The new proposal will not include these facilities, but Trachtenberg said he still anticipates opposition from the ANC.

"I suspect they'll invent some new arguments," he said. "I never believed the arguments in the first place," he added, referring to some ANC members' fears that a broadcast tower would leak microwave radiation into the atmosphere.

ANC 2A commissioner Maria Tyler, one of the plaintiffs on the appeal, said she plans to continue to fight the project.

"I'm going to hold to my appeal," she said. "We have always stated that we don't want any type of development to go forward right now because the campus plan is a weak one."

Tyler said GW should make accommodations to house all of its undergraduate students in residence halls before continuing with other projects.

## Man threatens to leap from crane on Pennsylvania Ave.

BY JIM GERAGHTY AND JARED SHER  
HATCHET STAFF WRITERS

John Skinner, 43, threatened to commit suicide early Wednesday morning after he climbed a 12-story crane at a construction site at 21st Street and Pennsylvania Ave.

District firefighters were able to convince the D.C. resident to come down after two hours of negotiation.

Earlier in the evening, the fire department had brought Skinner to the GW Hospital after he complained of depression, said Merle Goldberg, assistant director of public relations for the hospital. The nurse in the emergency room saw that Skinner's condition was not an emergency and, in accordance with hospital policy, asked him to register, Goldberg said.

Shortly thereafter, at about 11 p.m., he walked out of the hospital without registering, she said.

At midnight, Metropolitan Police responded to a call of a man trespassing at the construction site. Officers who responded to the scene saw that Skinner had climbed into the crane on the southeast corner of the lot, according to MPD's incident report.

Firefighters climbed far enough up the crane to

make verbal contact with Skinner, who told them he intended to jump.

"We had a firefighter named Jones in truck two," acting 6th Battalion Chief George McDuffie said. "When I came on the scene, (Jones) was already up there trying to talk to the guy. I went up, and firefighter Jones continued to go up and talk to the guy. And every time the guy got fidgety, he would come down a flight."

Throughout the negotiations, both MPD and University Police blocked off Pennsylvania Ave. to automobile and pedestrian traffic. Several GW students gathered behind police lines to watch the episode.

Brad Beecher, Terry Cushing and Brandon Mason came out of T.G.I. Friday's shortly after midnight and watched the event until its conclusion.

"People came out of Henry's saying 'jump,'" Mason said.

The three were among about 30 people who gathered to watch the situation.

After about two hours, D.C. firefighters convinced

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## Student rally draws support from Congress, community

BY LEE RUMBARGER  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Rallying behind signs saying "I vote ... and so do my parents" and "Education should be more than a dream," hundreds of college students demanded lawmakers' attention in front of the Capitol Tuesday in the face of proposed cuts in federal student aid.

"The American budget should not be balanced on the backs of students," said Ali Carter, co-founder of the Student Alliance for Educational Access, a non-partisan group of area students opposed to any reduction in student aid.

The rally consisted of a series of speeches from several senators and students.

Introduced as "the best friend to higher education," Sen. Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.) told ralliers he would battle on their behalf on the floor of the Senate, but would win only with their help.

A statement from Kennedy's office pointed to \$30 billion in federal aid cuts over the next seven years in the Republican budget proposal.

"Thirty billion additional dollars that students and working families will have to pay from



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Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-Minn.) makes his voice heard in order to let students' voices be heard in the fight against financial aid cuts.

their own pockets if these harsh and extreme cuts are enacted into law," the statement said.

Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-Minn.)

told the students "if you want real welfare reform, if you want to reduce poverty, if you want a stable

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# American studies returns to curriculum

BY ILENE CLAUSON  
HATCHET REPORTER

The elimination of the American studies major in the fall of 1991 disappointed and angered many students and faculty members.

Many wondered how a university located in our nation's capital, brimming with innumerable cultural and historical resources, could abolish a program of studies so vital to the past, present and future of our society.

After four years, however, American studies has finally returned to GW's curriculum as a major.

According to an excerpt from the undergraduate handbook, the American studies major, the first of its kind in the nation, "allows students the opportunity to study American culture as an organized system of meanings that are created through a variety of processes: from ethnic differentiation to the physical reshaping of the environment."

The crisis surrounding the cancellation of the major began in the fall of 1990. American studies' course enrollment had decreased to the point at which former Columbian School of Arts and Sciences Dean Robert Kelly recommended the dismissal of the program. Then, in the spring of 1991, the school's curriculum committee recommended suspending the major.

The students already in the program were allowed to continue in the major, but no new students were admitted. Several students created interdisciplinary majors to parallel American studies, however.

The department received notice in 1991 that the curriculum committee was going to conduct a for-

mal review of the department due to the low enrollment in introductory courses. Professor Howard Gillette, advisor to the American studies majors, said enrollment then escalated during the two-year period between the notice and the formal review.

By December of 1994, a new report aimed at restoring the American studies major was submitted to former Vice President of Academic Affairs Roderick French. The University finally restored the program in June 1995.

"The American studies department has the most cross-listed courses in the University, and that enriches the offerings," Gillette said. He also noted that the new program differs from the old one in several respects.

For instance, Gillette said the department is no longer housed in the English department's offices. In addition, a comprehensive exam has been replaced with a number of required courses and a new project known as the "senior experience."

This experience entails a supervised internship and a presentation at a symposium sponsored by the American studies program, according to the American Studies Undergraduate Handbook.

Gillette added that "no additional funding was needed to restore the program and no requests for additional faculty members were made." With eight full-time faculty members, 75 graduate students and seven undergraduate majors, the department is constantly growing and building a strong foundation for any students interested in the "anthropology of American culture," he said.

Gillette said the department is sponsoring an organizational meeting Sept. 28 at 5 p.m. in Building P to introduce students who are interested in the major.

## CORRECTIONS

The article "Elvis may be king, but GW rules in Nashville" on p. 19 of the Sept. 11 issue of The GW Hatchet should have said that the Mazda Classic Invitational tournament took place in Knoxville, Tenn.

The article "Greek Week is pre-rush promotion for groups" on p. 3 of the same issue should have said that the barbecue on the University Yard will be held Saturday, Sept. 16.


The photograph accompanying the article "Men's team roughs up Marshall at RFK, 4-1" on p. 23 of the Sept. 7 issue of The GW Hatchet should have identified the GW player as Chris Jones.



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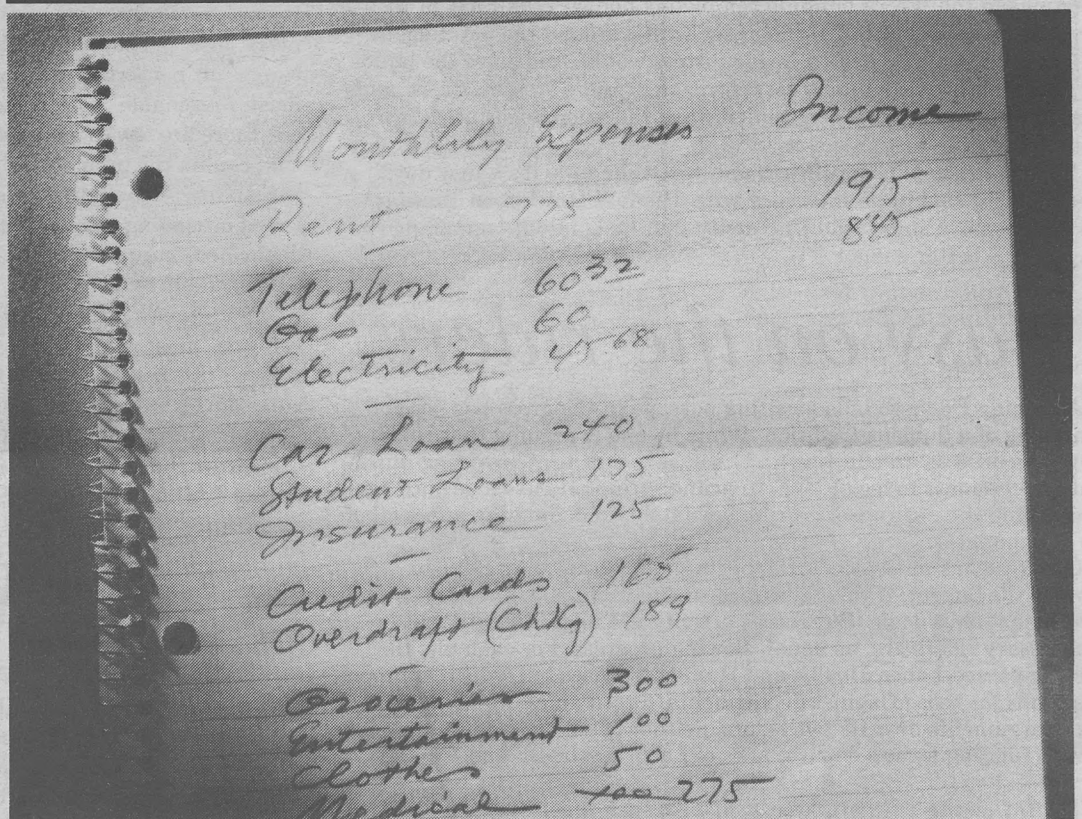
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## Resurrection

In the aftermath of GW's loss in its battle with the Advisory Neighborhood Commission to bring WETA headquarters to the University campus, GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg could have cut his losses and backed away from another confrontation with the persistent thorn in his side. But with his announcement that the University will forge ahead with plans to build on the would-be location, Trachtenberg has shown a commitment to improving campus teaching facilities. His resolve against the ANC's obstructionist tactics is to be commended.

The proposed building, which will be situated on 21st Street adjacent to the 2000 Penn shopping center, solves many of the concerns brought to the forefront by WETA's decision to quit the lengthy court battle and remain in Northern Virginia. The University had attracted incoming students with promises of the new home of GW's National Center for Communication Studies and is making a concerted effort to follow through with that promise by housing the entire department in the new building. The building would be used solely for classroom and office space, recognizing the need for new and updated facilities on campus.

Furthermore, the proposed hall would render the ANC's principal objections to the WETA building completely hollow. A hall meant to serve GW students would not increase traffic around the building, as ANC officials claimed WETA headquarters would. And since the building would not house a broadcast television or radio station, the commission's ludicrous concerns about microwave radiation levels are a moot point.

"You go to sleep disappointed, and you wake up - it's a new day," Trachtenberg said in an interview with The GW Hatchet on Tuesday. His actions have shown the University that he is intent on making the "new day" a better one for GW.

## Easy on the riders

Attaching riders to bills awaiting passage in Congress has become something of a dubious tradition. While no one is arguing that riders cannot be used as an effective and necessary means of providing important amendments to legislation, their indiscriminate usage is once again threatening the passage of crucial legislation, including the approval of the D.C. budget.

Congress has until Oct. 1, the beginning of fiscal year 1996, to approve the budget. If this fails to occur, District residents will see their government shut down. But recent activity in Congress hints that unnecessary riders are, as usual, slowing progress. For example, the recently passed Labor, Health and Human Services bill, which appropriates funds for those Cabinet departments, forced an all-night session due to arguments over its two riders, neither of which had anything to do with funding for the departments of Labor or Health and Human Services.

The D.C. budget is particularly ripe for such unnecessary legislation. D.C. is, of course, the only city in the country that is at the mercy of the federal government. Thus, congressmen who have no real stake in the city or its residents can attach their own agendas to the bill in the form of a rider. Since it is Congress which is holding Washington's purse strings, it should be paying more attention to the rampant debt in the District and taking steps to see that the city improves its horrendous financial standing. Yet year after year, the nation's capital city teeters on financial collapse while those thinking about their personal agendas wrangle over peripheral issues.

The D.C. budget is currently in the District appropriations subcommittee. Next week, it will go before the full committee, where riders can be attached. Hopefully, Congress will realize the importance of the matter in advance rather than tacking on its own interests. But given its dubious tradition, that doesn't seem likely.

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## Conservatives' definition of reform in need of repair itself

Whose fault is it if we fail to question the actions of our leaders? Does our silence convey compliance? This column will be devoted, as you may have already guessed, to asking some questions. With programs like welfare, Medicare and education on the chopping block in this year's budget, the government will undergo extensive plastic surgery. The issues that have been interminably debated will ferment into real policy. The games have begun with most of America on the sidelines.

If you were just to listen to some conservatives, you might agree that their austere measures are the answer to our societal problems. Their reforms purport to cure family breakdown, illegitimacy and perhaps even a wide range of bacterial diseases. As most reasonable Americans realize, there are few (if any) remedies that can fix the problems that conservatives - including even the caped-crusading man of steel and super-hero supreme, Phil Gramm - boast their reforms can.

The conservative's so-called reforms, most simply put, aren't reform. Rather they are budget cuts advertised as reform. The idea of reform implies change for the better. Reform is essentially to improve what isn't living up to expectation but can work more

effectively with adequate changes. What reform isn't is a series of budget cuts that disable programs into inevitable failure.

That isn't to say that cost consciousness shouldn't be pursued - the interest paid on the national debt attests that it should. But if cost cutting is the aim, then conservatives have an obligation to



Andrew  
Pearlman

call their work such and not mislead Americans with a promise of reform.

For example, conservatives want welfare reform. They say they want recipients of welfare to work for their benefits. This seems reasonable. But in their plan, if a recipient can't find a job (say the job market is slow), benefits are lost. Is this reform? Wouldn't it make more sense (if reform of the vicious welfare dependency cycle is really the intention) to guarantee everyone the opportunity to work and break from the rut of dependency? Is it worthwhile reform to punish those who want to work but just can't find a job? Should we lump them together with those who simply

refuse to work?

Another example is Medicare. Conservatives avow that if the program isn't addressed it will go broke, as its trustees assure. Thus they want to gut roughly \$250 billion from it. But are these cuts real reform? The fact remains that Medicare costs are spiraling upward and will continue to do so as long as we live longer and require more care. Will cutting a couple billion dollars reform this mess? Or will it only prolong the comprehensive reform that will inevitably be required to fix an entire health care industry whose costs continue to skyrocket and eat up federal expenditures?

In the meantime, conservative stop-gap measures would have many senior citizens, who can barely meet their payments, pay more. If this is their idea of reform, I think many wouldn't be so quick to disband the status quo.

Republicans rose to power on a platform of reform. In the 1994 Congressional elections, people bought into their agenda. But what's before Congress just isn't the agenda of reform that was promised. It is packaged as reform in the most persuasive of wrapping paper. Yet that will hardly be consolation to the millions of children and senior citizens who open these packages on dark, cold slabs of city pavement.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### School solution

The American Civil Liberties Union was right to protest the church/state complicity of the Milwaukee voucher plan. The GW Hatchet was wrong to condemn private school choice outright ("School daze," Sept. 11, p. 4). "This program is an open acknowledgment of the failure of public schools, hardly a noble statement on the government's part," The Hatchet wrote.

What could be more noble than admitting one's failures and offering a viable solution for remedying them?

Certainly open enrollment (public school choice) is better than the closed system most areas have today, but private (secular) school choice is even better. If the government institutes a voucher plan, it is likely that many revolutionary, efficient and successful private institutions will crop up. We may see an enlightenment in elementary and secondary education if parents are not hampered by the "double fee" (taxes and tuition)

they must pay to send a child to private school.

This solution, particularly if geared toward disadvantaged students (like Milwaukee's proposal was), has a very good chance of evening out educational opportunity by making private schools no longer the domain of the religious or well-to-do.

Today, many of the poorest and most troubled families are sending their kids to the most neglected public schools, giving the kids even less of a chance to overcome their circumstances and succeed. Meanwhile, the most wealthy and advantaged families make an effort to settle near the best public schools or pay for private schooling.

The competitive pressure will strengthen schools, which will be compelled to cater to students and their parents' needs, rather than to teacher's unions (among other constituents). It will only take funding away from schools that (supposedly) need it most (i.e. poorly run public institutions) by denying funding to teach students who feel their needs can be better met else-

where and choose to transfer to what they feel is a superior private institution.

-Dave Reinstein

### Wrong on WETA

The second paragraph of an article in the Sept. 11 issue of The GW Hatchet ("GW-WETA center plans are dead," front page) states: "WETA, Washington, D.C.'s public radio and television station ...." To set the record straight, D.C. has its own public TV station - WHMM - which is based at and broadcasts from Howard University.

Incidentally, WHMM is the only African-American-owned public TV station in the United States. D.C. proper may have lost WETA, but it already has WHMM, a treasure in many ways. WHMM produces its own shows and broadcasts its own mix of PBS programs. It is on Channel 32. It is inaccurate to portray WETA as "D.C.'s public television station." It only ever could have been one of them.

-David Wigmore

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# CDs begin year discussing proposed education cuts

BY ADAM SEGAL AND  
JEN MARTEL  
HATCHET REPORTERS

The College Democrats started off the year with two major events in a row: their opening meeting Tuesday night and a "Town Hall Meeting on Education" Wednesday afternoon.

More than 200 students crowded the Marvin Center ballroom Tuesday night for the first general meeting of the GW College

Democrats.

Balloons, loud music, free food and loads of information sent a political air around the room as students signed up to become involved in one of GW's largest and most active groups.

The majority of the students at the meeting were disappointed, however, because Rep. Patricia Schroeder (D-Colo.), who was scheduled to speak at the event, was unable to attend.

The "Town Hall Meeting on

Education," held on Wednesday afternoon in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre, featured Democratic National Committee Chairman Don Fowler. His co-chair, Sen. Chris Dodd (D-Conn.) was also unable to make his scheduled appearance because of a vote on Capitol Hill.

Nonetheless, the event attracted about 200 students from GW, American, Georgetown and a handful of other universities in the area.

The issue of federal funding for education, which Fowler discussed at the meeting, is a hot issue right now as the Republican majority in Congress has pledged to cut spending in order to balance the federal budget.

Fowler responded to students' worries about losing the aid which has enabled them to attend schools like GW by saying that "the President will veto any Republican bill that would eliminate such funding" for student loans and grants given out by the federal government.

The general consensus among attendees of the town hall meeting was that the U.S. government has a duty to invest in the students and the future of this country.

Fowler reminded the audience that the Republican education plan calls for a reduction in spending, while the president's plan calls for a \$40 billion increase over the next five years.

As the 1996 presidential election nears, GW students will most likely become the aim of many political messages, Fowler said. He added that he would like them to keep in mind that their education is in jeopardy if they do not speak up.



photo by Ngozi Vzogara

Don Fowler addresses the crowd on Republican proposals to cut financial aid. He spoke at a meeting hosted by the CDs.

## Mother-to-be, student in crash

GW junior, woman in labor collide in car accident on campus

BY ADAM WILLIS  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Junior Geoffrey Shapiro and a woman in labor were in the wrong place at the wrong time Tuesday morning, but luck ward off a bad situation.

At approximately 2 a.m. at the intersection of 23rd and H streets, N.W., Shapiro was stopped at a red light in his Chevrolet Corsica while preparing to cross 23rd Street. He was on the way back to his apartment.

A second car, a 1993 Mazda Protege, was headed to Columbian Hospital for Women with a pregnant passenger in labor. As the Mazda approached the intersection heading north on 23rd Street, the H Street light turned green, and Shapiro said he started to make his way across the intersection.

Shapiro, a pre-medical student,

said the driver of the Mazda disregarded the changing light, apparently in order to get the woman in labor to the hospital quickly. Shapiro's Corsica was a third of the way through the intersection when he said the Mazda hit him broadside, smashing directly into the driver's-side door.

The impact pushed the Corsica into the H Street crosswalk and the momentum carried it to the northwest corner of the intersection. A combination of brakes and a fire hydrant finally brought the car to a halt. The Mazda ended up in the middle of the intersection, its front mangled and its fluids leaking.

Students in Everglades Hall heard the squealing tires and the noises form the impact. "I heard 'screeeech, crash.' It was loud enough that I heard it even though my windows were closed," said

Ryan Nored, a junior who lives on the seventh floor.

The fire hydrant was undamaged by the impact of the car.

Both University and Metropolitan Police arrived on the scene shortly after the accident.

Shapiro was uninjured and said this was at least in part a result of the way he sits while driving. He sits far to his right in the driver's seat, constantly keeping his right hand on the parking brake.

"I'm very shaken up, very nervous. I have a few aches here and there, but I'm otherwise uninjured," Shapiro said Wednesday.

The mother-to-be was taken to the hospital, where her labor was reported to be proceeding normally.

"I was concerned that everything was okay. I repeatedly asked the officers and they told me everything was going to be okay (with the expectant mother)," Shapiro said.

## District SAs to form consortium this year

This year, the schools throughout the District will have an added resource — each other.

The student associations at District-area universities will pull together this year to fight for student issues locally and at the national level by forming a consortium.

GW's Student Association President Mark Reynolds said the idea came to him after he heard about the Residential Parking Act of 1995. The act, proposed by the D.C. Public Works Commission,

would raise parking fees and force students to register their cars in the District.

"I realized the other students in the city are all in the same situation," Reynolds said. He said he wants the group to target issues such as development and the proposed taxes, as well as parking.

Reynolds said he hopes the consortium will eventually have the pull of similar groups throughout the country, such as the one in Los Angeles. This group has formed a

successful lobby group to voice its concerns to the Los Angeles city council.

"In general, it should be a way for students to work on common issues," Reynolds said.

Reynolds also said he hopes the consortium will include all seven D.C. schools, but "we're not totally organized." He explained that most SAs close down during the summer, so contacting the other SA officers has been difficult.

—Shannon Joyce



photo by Dave Flintzen

The crane at the construction site on 21st St. and Penn. Ave., N.W., which John Skinner had climbed before he threatened to jump.

## Firefighters stop suicide

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Skinner to come down from the crane.

"Finally (Jones) went up, talked to the guy a little bit more, and found out that all the guy wanted to do was to see a doctor," McDuffie said. "And firefighter Jones promised that he would walk across to the hospital with him to see a doctor. And the guy decided to come down."

Skinner was taken back to the GW Hospital emergency room by ambulance around 1:45 a.m., where he was examined by a psychiatrist. At 5:30 a.m., he was transferred to the Psychiatric

Institute of Washington for further evaluation, Goldberg said.

A UPD officer at the scene who wished to remain unidentified said that Skinner is still subject to prosecution for trespassing. He added that these cases often are prosecuted.

McDuffie praised his firefighters for their grace under pressure, adding that it was his first experience with a suicide attempt. He also said that training never fully prepares officers for this type of situation.

"I don't think you can put this in a textbook," he said. "It was a team effort to get this guy down."

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# SA phone directory due out in early October

## Students able to choose if they want to be entered

BY BECKY NEILSON  
HATCHET REPORTER

GW is well on its way down the information superhighway. And though the convenience of being able to access information in mere seconds is undeniable, there are still those students who prefer to do things the old way:

on paper.

Technology-minded students can now find the addresses and phone numbers of friends and classmates through the GWIS2 system, or by calling campus information. But, for those who favor a more conventional approach, the Student Association's student telephone directory is on its way.

The annual publication will be available in the lobbies of all residence halls and campus buildings by early October, SA Vice President for Public Affairs Marie Condon said. The book lists the local addresses and phone numbers of GW undergraduates and graduate students. Though the basic organization of the book will remain

unchanged, there are a few significant changes behind the scenes.

According to Condon, the SA chose to use a new company to publish this year's book.

"Our main goal is to produce a book that is useful, informative and cost effective," Condon said. To that end, a company called Campus Pages will print the 1995-96 directory.

Also, in past years, publication of the telephone listing has cost close to \$10,000 of SA funds, but this year's copy is being issued at no cost to the SA. Instead, the publishing company sold advertising space to area businesses to cover the cost of the book.

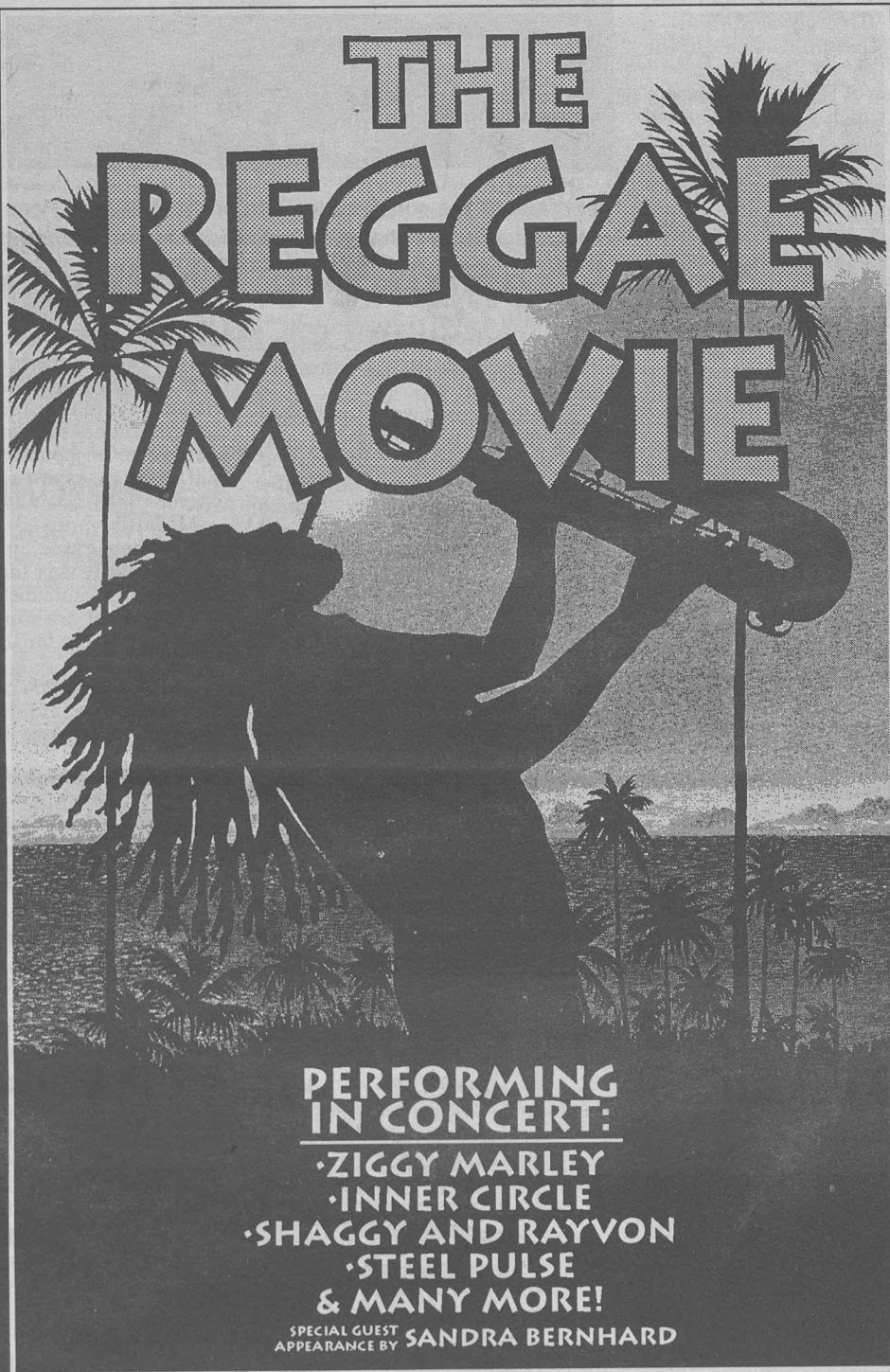
The numbers of the participating companies will be included in the book, along with frequently-used campus numbers, making it a campus and community guide as well as a student telephone listing.

The students' addresses and phone numbers, Condon said, will

be obtained from the Registrar's Office. This year, however, students registering through the University's touch-tone registration system were given the option of keeping their names out of the SA listing.

Condon said she hopes that during registration for the spring semester, students will be able to delete their names from the GWIS2 and campus information listings under this system as well, if they choose to. She said the new system should make students aware that the book is coming out, as well as allow them to exclude themselves from it.

The SA has already begun to hear the annual complaints from students that the directory takes too long to come out. Condon said she acknowledges this concern, but explained that sending the directory to print any earlier would force the SA to sacrifice the accuracy of the information.



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- Academic Center, Sept. 8. An employee reported the theft of a set of \$10 ear phones from her desk.
- Academic Center, Sept. 7. An employee reported the theft of \$35 in cash, credit cards and a driver's license from her briefcase from room 407.
- Burns Law Library, Sept. 8. A student reported the theft of her wallet from her purse. The wallet contained various credit cards and ID.
- Crawford Hall, Sept. 11. A student reported the theft of the \$100 rear wheel of his bicycle.
- Crawford Hall, Sept. 7. A resident reported the theft of \$25 cash from her room on the 3rd floor. There were no signs of forced entry.
- Crawford Hall, Sept. 5. A resident reported the theft of \$30 cash from his room on the 5th floor. There were no signs of forced entry.

- Fungler Hall, Sept. 7. A student reported the theft of his \$350 bicycle from the front railing.
- Gelman Library, Sept. 7. A student reported the theft of her backpack from the 5th floor. The backpack contained textbooks, a wallet and \$100 cash.
- Marvin Center, Sept. 11. An employee reported the theft of \$1,000 in cash from his 2nd floor office.
- Quigley's Sport Court, Sept. 8. A student reported the theft of his wallet, containing \$20 cash and ID.
- Smith Center, Sept. 11. A student reported the theft of his wallet from the men's locker room. The wallet contained his GW ID and driver's license.

### Harassment

- Francis Scott Key Hall, Sept. 9. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.
- Mitchell Hall, Sept. 11. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.
- Thurston Hall, Sept. 11. A resident reported receiving harassing telephone calls from an unknown man.

## ANC plagues Health and Wellness Center

GW's plans to build a Health and Wellness Center remain on hold while the University continues to wait for approval from the District's Board of Zoning Adjustment, said Michael Peller, director of athletics and recreation facilities at the Smith Center.

The University's proposals for the center were rejected by the zoning board last November because the building was considered an imposition on the neighborhood. The University subsequently appealed the decision, and has been tied up in court with the

ANC ever since.

Officials from neighboring St. Mary's Church and residents from nearby St. Mary's Court apartment building lead the opposition to the center, which is to be on the corner of 23rd and H streets.

Peller cited "the need to improve the quality of life for our students" as the University's primary reason for wanting to build the center.

—Jay Sagannathan and Justin Bergman



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# impressions

## To live and die in L.A. ...

Author of '80s "me" generation novel *Less Than Zero* returns to setting once again for new book

BY TATIANA K. FIX  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

**B**ret Easton Ellis, author of *American Psycho* and *Less Than Zero*, has recently written another chilling novel to shock, stir and inform readers.

*The Informers* (Vintage Books) consists of 13 captivating stories that ultimately intermingle with one another. Ellis writes about the elite class of Los Angeles, focusing on blatantly materialistic, self-destructive and superficial characters. The parents are on Valium, while their kids are either stoned on marijuana or wired on cocaine.

This is a society where the primary concern is how to get and maintain the perfect tan. People struggle to choose between a red or black Ferrari. Everything about these people is ironic and ludicrous. Even the title of the book seems cynical.

"An informer is somebody who tells about somebody else, but they're actually telling on themselves and they're self-incriminating," said Ellis in a telephone interview. Ideally, these informers' wealth should enable them to ameliorate their lives, becoming self-sufficient, productive and worthwhile individuals. In this "jet set" L.A. society, however, things do not quite work that way.

"People are like that everywhere," Ellis said. "However, this is definitely my vision of L.A. My

books are about how rich people abuse the freedom that money gives them."

On the subject of the rampant drug use and sex in the book, the author explained, "When you have money, it's easy to slip into a lifestyle that can let you behave in bad ways."

With no pressing problems or critical concerns, the characters of *The Informers* retire to a life of continuous and meaningless spending, drinking and debauchery. The excesses of these peoples' lifestyles makes the reader wonder how much of this is reality as opposed to pure fiction.

"It's exaggerated for effect, for symbolic reasons. *The Informers* isn't an absolutely realistic view of L.A., it's my view, and my view is slightly exaggerated," he said.

In *The Informers*, the parents do not know their own children. Dirk feels alienated from his father. Graham's mother's response to the question of whether she loves her children is: "I'm undecided because I don't know them."

"This is simply a reflection of the elite class. The book is about passivity in a lot of ways and that passivity leads to badness. It's about apathy and how not caring about anything ultimately leads to violence," Ellis said.

In this book, we see a society in which even the housekeepers are stoned 24 hours a day. During

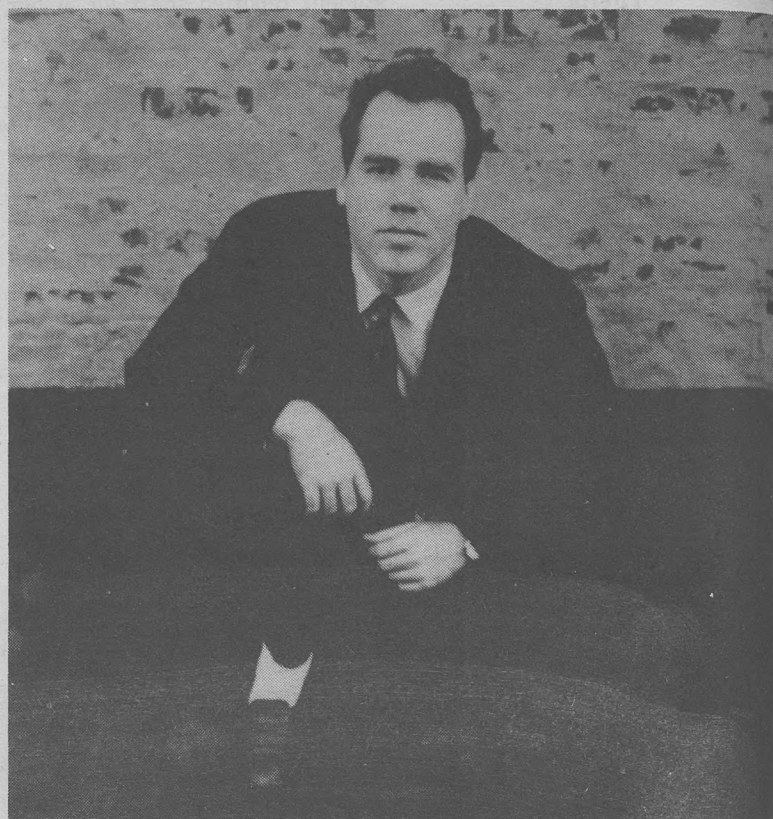
lunch, the women casually discuss whose child is in a psychiatric clinic for attempting suicide.

*The Informers* has no protagonist. In fact, a different character narrates each chapter. The reader is therefore prevented from identifying or empathizing with anyone and is able to stand back from all the obscene, indecent behavior to scorn and reject the novel's characters.

"There is just simply no protagonist, and it isn't done for any specific reason. I can't even call the book a novel. It's a series of different stories. I didn't really try anything. When I write, it's very instinctual and intuitive. Initially, when I start writing it's because somebody's voice is in my head and I just follow the voice. My books aren't really plot-driven and there is no real story," Ellis said.

Although the same themes are recounted and portrayed, the emphasis on characters shifts often. "There's a depiction of a theme or place, and a group of characters that are in that place. The story doesn't build, the scene does. I've never written a story about a plot," Ellis said.

The book tends to jump around as a result. The rapid transition of events is comparable to the fast-paced erratic lifestyle of the '90s. "I think unconsciously I may do that. I am a product of my time, so I may do that without thinking about it. We don't live in a vacuum. We're in



Author Bret Easton Ellis shows his readers in *The Informers* that the glamorous life in L.A. is not as cute as "Beverly Hills 90210."

a society where we're given a lot of information at a time. That can influence your writing."

Although the author said he never really intended to publish this work, it is possible that *The Informers* will be made into a film, as was the case with his first book, *Less Than Zero*.

"I never really thought I'd publish *The Informers* since it was just a book I'd go to when I was stuck on another one," Ellis said. "Actually, I've been working on *The*

*Informers* for 10 years."

Even though Ellis' books seem to attract college-aged readers, he maintains that he's "never written for a target audience."

"I don't think you can guess an audience, and when I wrote *The Informers*, I wasn't thinking about anyone but myself."

*Bret Easton Ellis will be at Olsson's Books and Records, 1200 F St. N.W., on Sept. 14 at 7 p.m. For more information, call (202) 347-3686.*

## They can only wish they were cowboys

BY KYNAN KELLY  
MANAGING EDITOR

**T**he Delevantes bring new meaning to the term "South Jersey."

Hailing from the land of John Gorka, Bruce Springsteen and Bon Jovi, Bob and Mike Delevante aspire to a higher musical realm. Namely, country western music.

Accordingly, they have teamed up with big names from the worlds of country and Jersey-rock for their debut album *Long About That Time* (Rounder Records). Garry Tallent, bassist for Springsteen's E Street Band, plays on, as well as helps produce, the album. Other contributors include Tom Petty keyboardist Benmont Tench.

The only way to really define The Delevantes is to engage in the same kind of name-dropping used to hype them. The liner notes make sure to tell the story of how they met Tallent at a Steve Earle show, and how he looked at their leather jackets and said, "You must be from New Jersey."

After listening to the album, it's even easier to make that judgment.

While they lack the gruff, grizzled sound of yesterday's country and the flashy twang of today's line-dancin' toe-tappers, The Delevantes manage to work in

enough down-home themes to let you know they mean every word of "I Wish I Were a Cowboy."

If anything, they might be the second coming of Lyle Lovett. Still, it's hard to tell why Nashville has embraced The Delevantes as if they are the second coming of the rowdy outlaw-songwriter Earle.

The important difference is that Earle actually sounds like the weathered, lacerated-livered characters he sings about, while The Delevantes have the Prozac-happy sound of the Barenaked Ladies.

For that matter, the compromise between Hoboken and hillbilly seems to make a mockery of both. "Driving At Night" sounds like an empty rip-off of the Boss, while "Pony Boy" is just an embarrassing, pointless song. And after filling an album with innocent, sappy lyrics, they have the nerve to finish it with "It's A Living," a generic bitch-about-life-on-the-road song.

Or maybe they're just bitching about traffic on the turnpike.

*The Delevantes headline the fourth annual Hungry For Music benefit concert Sept. 16 at Lisner Auditorium, beginning at 7:30 p.m. Other performances include street musicians Charles Monk, Mark Nickens, Silvertones and Charles Solomon. Tickets are \$7 for GW students.*

## MTV sucks, the Fibbers rock

Or a few of the lessons I learned at CMJ festival '95

BY JARRETT FRANKEL  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

**N**EW YORK - So I'm standing on the corner of Broadway and West 66th street eating a \$4 hot dog during one of the only breaks between panels at this year's CMJ Music Marathon & Musicfest, thinking about how this whole "system" is not working out: how there's only so much room in the Buzz Bin; how there's only a mere 100 or so minutes to play frequently never-to-be-seen-again videos on MTV's definitely doomed "120 Minutes," how college radio is the last great hope against the epidemic-like predictability of commercial alternative rock stations.

I had all this in mind during my trip this past weekend to New York City for the 15th annual CMJ Music Marathon & Musicfest '95, a four-day event that devotes itself both to the discussion of alternative music and to the showcasing of more than 400 signed and unsigned bands.

"What is so cool about being independent?" was the central question posed by a panel entitled "Art For Art's Sake, Money for God's Sake: Getting By Without Selling Out." Moderated by Rian Murphy, the director of marketing and sales for Drag City Records,

the panel included surprise panelist Gerard Cosloy ("Ian [MacKaye] wasn't available," said Murphy), the outspoken and oft-hated co-founder of Matador Records.

The panel took an insider's look at the workings of the independent record label. To be sure, all is not well in the state of indie.

Speaking of all not being well, MTV was the theme of another panel I attended gleefully, mildly aware of the severe verbal pummeling the station would receive once the Q&A session started. "MTV & VH1: The Almighty Speak" quickly, if not immediately, turned into the "Reasons I Hate MTV" panel. MTV representative Matt Pinfield was put in the ungodly position of having to defend his station's highest-rated program, the shameful T&A circus, "Singled Out."

"The Songwriter's Forum: Dialogue and Performance," a panel showcasing artists playing a few of their songs and talking about the songwriting process, was, perhaps, the highlight of the event. Vic Chestnutt, a singer/songwriter who's been an influence (i.e. Michael Stipe) more than he has influences, sang sweetly on "Sewing Machine" and then proceeded to convincingly describe

how his songs "pop out like sweat."

But it was The Geraldine Fibbers' Carla Bozulich's solo rendition of "Outside of Town" that towered above all else. An artist, a guitar and a killer voice created the perfect five minutes that could not have been better spent.

Coming in a close second in the daytime performance category was Chris Whitley's solo, acoustic, half-hour set, which roared along through the blues quite masterfully in a severe sort of way.

As far as the evening club gigs went, it was always a tough choice. The first night I opted for the 4AD/Teenbeat Night at The Mercury Lounge and was treated to an inspired and sonic set from Versus.

On the last evening I caught an ultra-rare set from Lou Barlow's "other" side project, Deluxx Folk Implosion, which contributed the roaring blast of a song "Daddy Never Understood" to the *Kids* motion picture soundtrack. The soundtrack was mainly scored by Barlow in his various incarnations.

It was a breakneck set, with Barlow and company hardcore-ing it through insanely brief tunes like "Sputnik's Down," "Reasons I'm In Prison" and "Daddy Never Understood."



## SPOTLIGHT

## Vietnam: reminders of war and social change

A local man recounts his summer visit to a country that still bears the scars of conflict

BY MEGAN STACK  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

When the average American thinks of Vietnam, an array of images come to mind. A bloody non-war fought and never won, thick and treacherous jungles, rice paddies — all of these ideas are lodged into our national skull and subheaded 'Vietnam.'

In this same hypothetical database, "summer vacation" falls under an entirely separate category.

When Doug Kneeland had his first chance to go abroad this summer, however, he chose to go to Vietnam. Kneeland, 35, an employee at the GW Deli on G Street, cites several reasons for his somewhat unusual decision.

"One of the biggest reasons I decided to go was, of course, the fact that our country was at war with them at one time," Kneeland explains. "I thought it would be a challenging trip to a tropical climate."

He adds that although he does not support communism, he "really wanted to experience a communist system."

During the Vietnam War, Kneeland was still a young boy

growing up in Arlington, Va. He recalls watching the news with his parents, but had only a hazy grasp of the events described. Kneeland also remembers delivering the Washington Star, a now-defunct D.C. newspaper.

"Every morning the newspapers would be delivered to me in bundles," Kneeland says. "All the young men of draft age from the neighborhood would come up to me and ask to see a copy for a second. They wanted to see if their numbers had come up."

As he grew older, Kneeland's curiosity led him to research the Vietnam War. The war was "always a matter of great personal interest."

Kneeland began preparations for his trip last February. He used the Global Spectrum, a travel agency which states that its goal is "to provide an avenue through which long-lasting reciprocal U.S.-Vietnam relationships are fostered."

The Global Spectrum usually sends travelers in groups of 10 people. Kneeland, however, completed the tour by himself. The other members of the group decided not to go, leaving Kneeland alone with his guides.

Probably the most striking

"I think I am very fortunate to have been able to see the old ways before the country explodes,"

-Doug Kneeland



photo courtesy Doug Kneeland

This is the view Kneeland was treated to as he traveled to Hùe from Da Nang.

aspect of hearing Kneeland recount his tour is the recurring theme of the war. During his first days in Ho Chi Minh City, Kneeland was taken to the old American embassy, where Americans climbed into U.S. helicopters from its roof during the April 1975 evacuation of Saigon, as the city was formerly called.

Kneeland also saw the Reunification Hall, once the presidential palace, where the surrender to Communist forces was officially signed.

"Ho Chi Minh was also a city that the United States shelled heavily," explains Kneeland. "You could see that even the airfield was pockmarked with shells."

Throughout his trip, Kneeland encountered damage to natural and historical monuments, souvenirs of the combat that occurred on the land. Throughout the city of Cu Chi, in many temples and on the Marble Mountain in Da Nang, he saw bullet holes and shelling damage.

As Kneeland points out, though, while Vietnam remains a country struggling with war aftermath, it is also a land about to undergo massive economic changes.

"The country is obviously on the brink of great changes in growth and economy," Kneeland says. "You can see things being built up."

"The people are very aware of what's going on," he says. "They really work to educate and better themselves, and they are a very resourceful people."

Kneeland also predicts the fall of Vietnam's Communist government in the near future. He points out that the country is no longer sheltered by embargoes, and that as development and technology increase, its people will demand more liberty.

Perhaps these looming changes add more significance to Kneeland's journey. "I think I am very fortunate to have been able to see

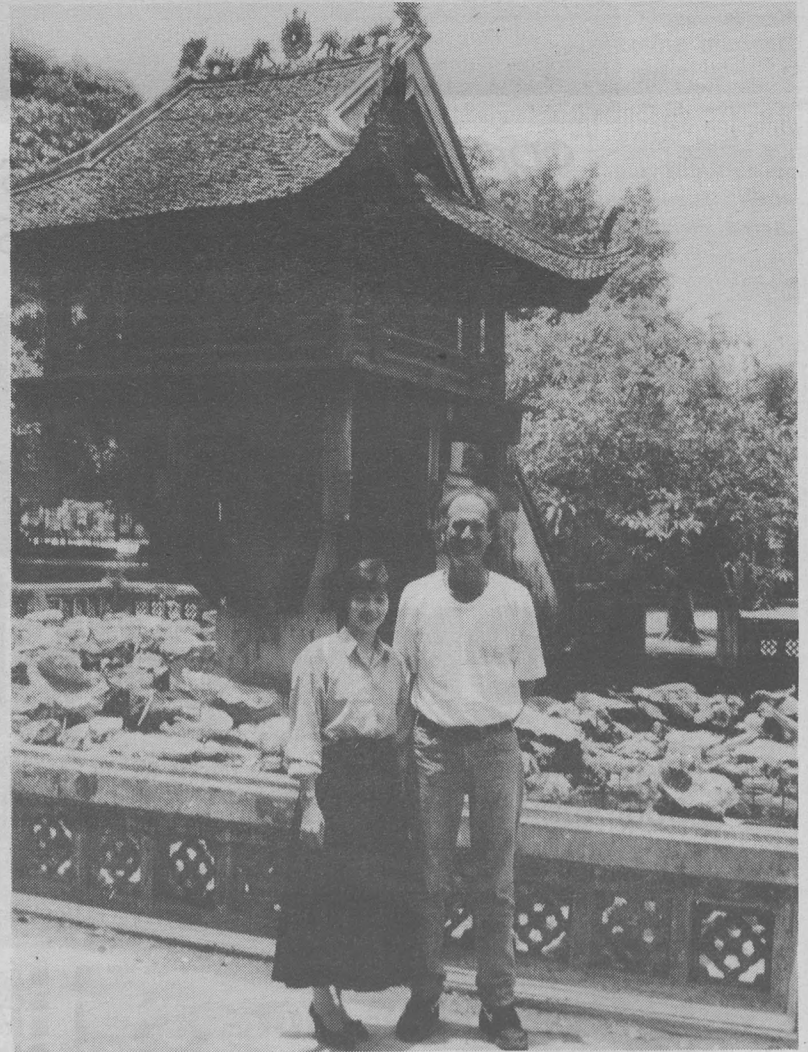


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Kneeland, with one of his tour guides, outside of a floating pagoda in Hanoi.

the old ways before the country explodes," he says.

It is easy to picture the country, hanging between war and forgiveness; the old charms of pagodas along the Perfume River and the call of a new lifestyle. The country is now in limbo, and so Kneeland believes that Americans should

turn their attention to it.

"I believe that we should all be educated about the country and discover the beauty of the place and people," he says. "The saddest part of my trip was witnessing firsthand the damage we did, and that in itself was a very powerful experience."



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# New political group SURGEs onto campus

BY MICHAEL ARCATI AND  
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HATCHET STAFF WRITERS

In the wake of the College Republican's troubles last year, a new group has joined American Collegiate Conservatives to address the needs of Republican stu-

dents on campus.

GOP SURGE (Students under Republican Guided Exchange) hopes to "make Republicanism more service-based," co-chair Tara Settmayer said.

"Too many students think Republicans are just for the rich and elite, and that's not necessarily

true," Settmayer said.

She and co-chair Garrett Piel hope to bring speakers to campus and create programs involving "anything to do with politics, campaigns and the Hill," Settmayer said.

They want the group to provide a point of reference for students

wanting to become more politically involved through internships and other activities.

Settmayer said she would like the group to become involved with the D.C. public schools as well. She mentioned programs that would stress political involvement and understanding the political process.

In addition to community service and political programs, Settmayer said the group has some fun field trips planned, such as a trip to the FBI training center.

Settmayer stressed that the group has a good working relationship with American Collegiate Conservatives, but hopes to provide a way for students to remain actively involved on campus as well as in the city.

It will be business as usual for the American Collegiate Conservatives, according to Nicholas Provenzo, president of the ACC.

"Our role will remain the same and we will keep our fundamental mission," Provenzo said.

Even though Republicans and

conservatives have the same basic ideologies, there are some basic differences between the two.

"ACC is a non-partisan group and not based on a national platform. We are individual members that look at the issues," Provenzo said.

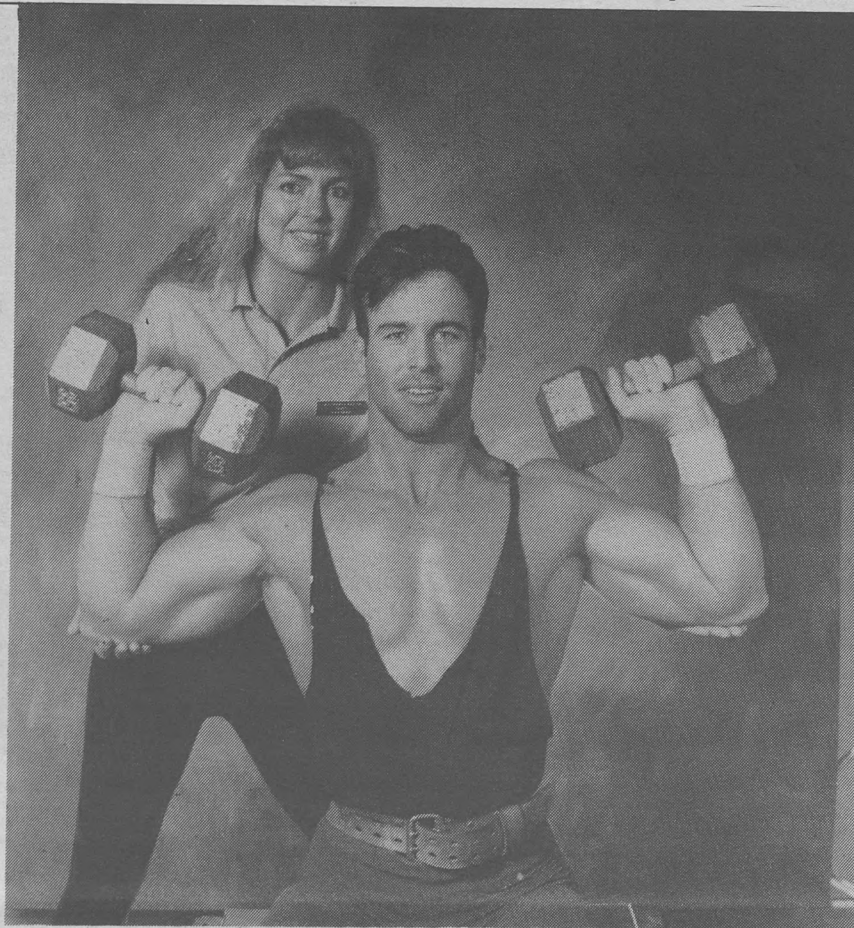
The only benefit the ACC hopes to gain from the fall of the College Republicans is some of their funding.

"It would be nice for the University to recognize what we've done. The funding we get is less than par, which is not good for holding debates, and we have other good uses for the money," Provenzo said.

According to Mark Reynolds, president of the Student Association, the extra money that will be available if the CRs don't reapply for funding will go out to all groups.

"The SA doesn't give out funding just on the beliefs of the organization, but clearly on the basis of what projects the organization has done and their standings," Reynolds said.

The CRs have not registered with the SA for funding yet this year. No one from the organization could be reached for comment.



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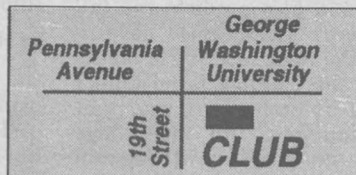
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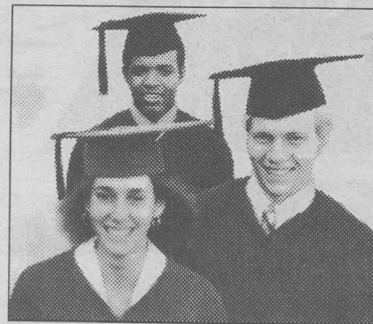
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## Barry to Congress: let D.C. set agenda

**Mayor testifies in support of budget**

BY DONNA BRUTKOSKI  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

As House and Senate subcommittees began considering the District's budget this week, city officials pleaded with members of Congress to refrain from cutting the budget any further than the D.C. Council has already done.

Mayor Marion Barry (D) and D.C. Council Chairman David Clarke (D) testified in support of the current budget before the D.C. appropriations subcommittee in the Senate Tuesday and the House of Representatives Wednesday.

In addition to saying the city's budget cuts have gone far enough, Barry cautioned members of Congress to refrain from imposing their own agenda on the budget bill. He said he thought the bill could pass as long as it is not weighed down with controversial legislative riders. Several other appropriations bills have been stalled by such controversial measures this year.

The budget vote "could come down to one or two votes," said Rep. Henry Bonilla (R-Tex.).

But Barry said passage of the bill "can happen" as long as members of Congress stick to the business at hand — getting money for the city — and stop wasting time on problematic policy issues.

"Local officials should set local priorities," Barry said. "We've got to respect local government."

"We don't want to micromanage your problems," Bonilla assured him.

Barry and Clarke both asked the subcommittee members to consider the amount of budget-cutting work the city government has done. Barry testified that 3,000 jobs have been vacated since Oct. 1, going beyond the D.C. financial control board's request of 2,000 layoffs. He also testified that the Council has reduced the 1996 budget by \$139 million.

But some members of Congress have their own ideas for the District. Among them are privatizing D.C. General Hospital and other government functions, turning the D.C. Board of Education into a purely advisory body, and phasing out rent control.

Barry had concerns about many of these ideas, particularly the idea of hospital privatization. D.C. General serves many of the city's poorer residents, and Barry said he wanted to be sure a private D.C. General would continue to provide service for those residents.

"I don't favor privatization for (its own sake)," Barry said, adding that a privatization initiative would have to be considerably more efficient than the current system.

## Senators tell students not to give up fight for financial aid

(from p. 1)

middle class, if you want to reduce violence ... compete in international economics ... have a democracy with women and men who can think on their own two feet ... (then) focus on good education and a good job."

Howard University student body President Shawn Barney said his mother always told him not to "let his mouth write a check his tail can't cash." A divestment in education would be just such a check, he said.

Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-D.C.) said the show of support from students at the rally "fortified" her to go fight for their futures. She said that calling students the future of the nation was the "stand-by rhetoric" on Capitol Hill, and now it is time for legislators to "put up or shut up."

Sens. Paul Simon (D-Ill.) and Claiborne Pell (D-R.I.), founder of the Pell Grant, and several representatives also voiced their support for the students' cause.

To ensure that the student voice was heard, Dan Leisticow, a sophomore at Georgetown University, organized "Lobby Day" — phase two of the rally. Appointments were made with senators and representatives from every state in the nation. Ralliers then gathered in

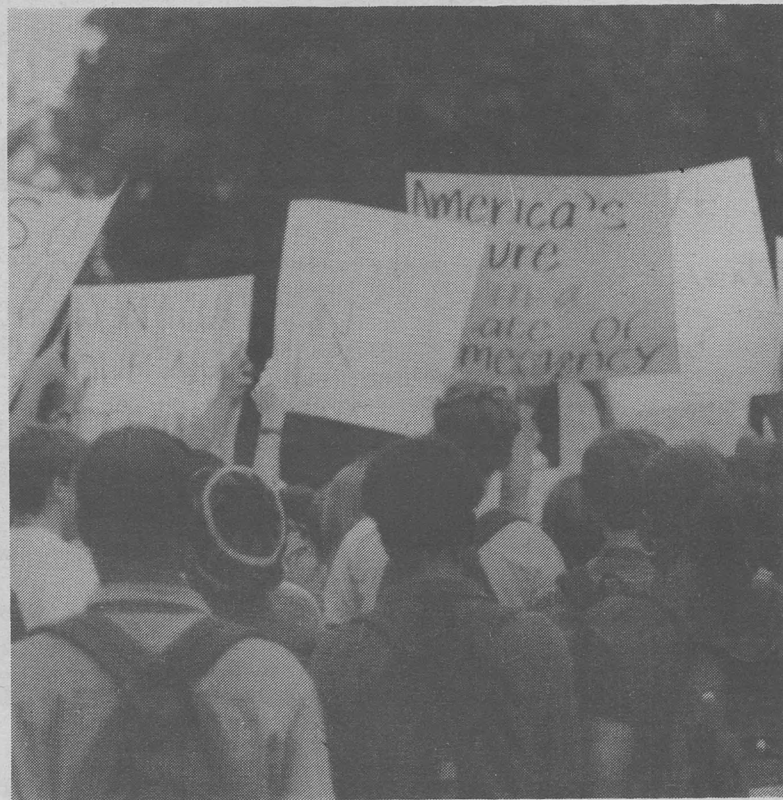


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**The future rests on their backs: These backpack-toting students took time out from class to protest cuts in financial aid.**

groups of students from their home states and proceeded to meet with their lawmakers, hand-delivering letters from students across the country.

It comes down to "strength of

numbers — 2,000 letters, 200 student lobbyists," Leisticow said.

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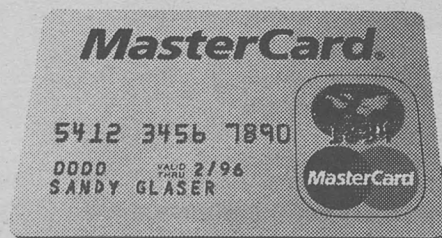
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# NCCS reflects on WETA loss and lessons to be learned

BY SETH LITZENBLATT  
HATCHET REPORTER

Monday's announcement of a failed merger between GW and public radio and television station WETA created a stirring of emotions within the National Center for Communication Studies.

The merger, which WETA backed away from because of legal complications that mainly stemmed from the Advisory Neighborhood Commission's objection to the plan, would have created a new home for both WETA and the NCCS across 21st Street from the Marvin Center.

WETA will now move to a new site only three blocks away from its current location in Shirlington Village, Va.

Charles Puffenbarger, an associate professor of journalism, said the failed merger was "tragic" because it would have given GW's

broadcast program a greater level of exposure than it now has.

Dr. Jean Folkerts, director of the journalism program for the NCCS, shared in Puffenbarger's disappointment.

"We are missing out on having an opportunity that would have been both beneficial to the University and the neighborhood," Folkerts said. "Students are missing out on having a public television station which would have provided many internships. WETA's presence would have generated town hall forums and public events that would have been a positive addition to the community."

Sonia Jarvis, a research professor for communication, said that although the project results were disappointing, there are lessons to be learned from the incident.

"In the future, when planning a project such as this, we first need

to make sure that everyone in the community has a chance to have their say," Jarvis said.

Junior Mark Silver, a radio and television major, said that the merger would have given him the chance to work "hands-on" in a professional television station.

"The NCCS has nice production facilities, but it's not a TV studio," Silver said.

Professor Jarol B. Manheim, director of the NCCS, said that while he also was disappointed in the final results of the project, he still felt the center would grow and

prosper. He said students should not feel a concern about finding other internships in the District.

"There are many opportunities in this city for students," Manheim said. "We also will find other ways of maintaining a positive relationship with WETA."

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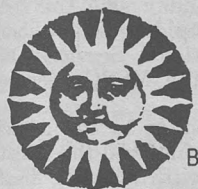
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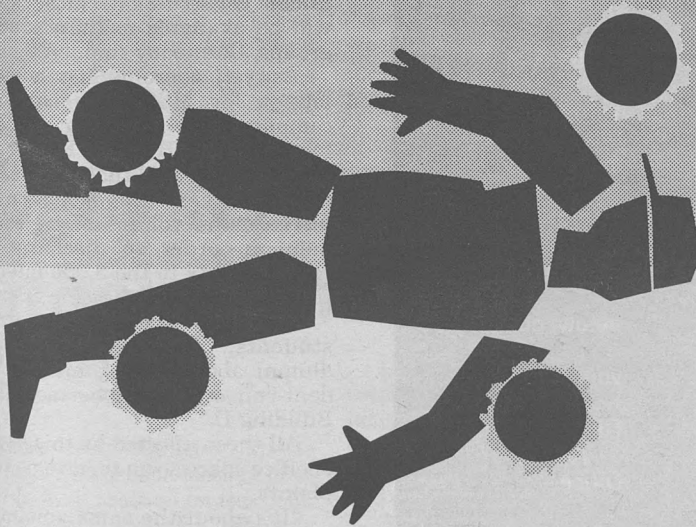
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## Student groups relocate due to renovation

BY MONIQUE HARDING  
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Buildings HH and D were part of the widespread renovations which have taken over several campus buildings this fall.

Once the renovations were complete, the various student groups which had been housed in the two buildings began to relocate into new and improved offices within the buildings.

Renovations in the two townhouses, at 2127 and 2129 G St., were aimed at improving the buildings for the student groups. For example, a wall was taken out of the first floor of the multicultural student services building, Building HH, in order to serve as a reception area for multicultural students and international students.

Acting Director of GW's office of International Student Services Helen Cannaday said the second floor of the building is now home to the International Services Office, as well as the MSSC peer counselors.

The assistant to the associate dean of students and the assistant to students with learning disabilities are now on the third floor, she added.

The first floor of Building D will now house the Black Peoples' Union, Alpha Kappa Alpha, the National Society for Black Engineers, the Black Business Association, Shades of Fine Arts and the Organization of African Students.

Once the basement is complete, the only area of the buildings still under construction, more space will be available to these student groups, Cannaday said.

As yet, there is not a study lounge for MSSC students and computers are no longer available to students in Building HH.

Cannaday said that ISO needed to find larger accommodations to increase the volume of its equipment in order to discharge its responsibility to the 3,000 international students of the University.

Cannaday spoke with current students, student leaders and alumni about having all the student-run organizations move into Building D.

All those affected by this switch of office space seem to have no complaints.

"It's about the same amount of space (that we had next door)," BPU President Akousha Walker said.

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## It's prime-time TV for GW basketball

BY JIM GERAGHTY  
SPORTS EDITOR

If you thought the Colonial basketball teams were on TV a lot last year, wait until January. By then you'll see Alexander Koul on your screen more often than Jerry Seinfeld.

The Atlantic 10 conference has announced a new TV contract with the sports cable networks ESPN and ESPN2. Liz Callahan, the A-10's assistant director of television operations, confirmed that the conference now has a six-year agreement that extends through the 2000-01 season.

"This will entail the conference making a weekly appearance on ESPN on Saturdays starting in February and a weekly Monday night game on ESPN2 that will begin in January," Callahan said.

In addition, ESPN will carry the quarterfinals through the championship for the men's A-10 tournament, and the women's A-10 championship will be on ESPN2.

"ESPN will continue to cover some interconference games. Aside from our new deal, we'll have nine additional men's games that aren't conference games," Callahan said.

GW will not be featured in any of those games, but the Colonials will be playing a game against the University of Missouri that will be on the ABC television network.

The two GW conference games that will be televised on ESPN are a home game against Temple at noon Feb. 3, and GW's annual battle at Massachusetts Feb. 24. Meanwhile, GW's road games at Virginia Tech (Jan. 15), Fordham (Feb. 13) and Xavier (Feb. 26) will be televised on ESPN2.

"GW has their best television package ever," Callahan said. Last season, GW was on ESPN for victories over Syracuse, Canisius and James Madison, and for losses to Ohio and Duke. In addition, the victory over Duquesne on the road was televised on ESPN2.

The contract is good news not only for GW, but for the entire conference, which is looking to gain equal recognition with the Big East Conference and the Atlantic Coast Conference.

"The conference has earned this recognition. It's the natural course of events to be featured weekly on ESPN. All the big conferences have an agreement similar to this one," Callahan said.

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## Rugby team forges on without a head coach

BY MATTHEW OSBORNE  
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

Almost every collegiate sports team begins its season looking for a player to fill a position on the field. The GW rugby club will probably begin its season still looking for someone to fill the coaching position.

The club is preparing to start another season, and it will begin the fall 1995 campaign without a coach. Former coach Ian Virchall moved to New York to continue a career in architecture, so he will be unable to coach the team this season.

"A coach gives a team credibility, but we've got some older guys who have played a few years that can show the younger guys the ropes," said senior James Reidy, who will be a player-coach this season until a coach is found.

Reidy said that despite the lack of a coach and the loss of several players to graduation, the team will overcome and succeed. "We have a lot of new guys this year, but we also have a lot of experience coming back," Reidy said.

Last year, the team had a 10-3 record. The top returning players include Reidy, Matt Hickman, Clayton Henderson, Diego Hernandez, David Ludwig, Victor Delgado and Harry Cook.

According to Reidy, the team expects a total of anywhere from 40-45 players, including about 10 newcomers.

"Our players have a lot of athletic talent, and some of the newcomers have played the sport in high school or sometime in the past. That is good, because rugby consists of about 30 percent talent and 70 percent experience," said Reidy.

The team's first game is home against Johns Hopkins University Saturday, Sept. 23.

"We're going to try some new things in the first game. We don't know exactly where everybody will fit in yet, so we have to mix it up a little," said Reidy.

Other opponents for the GW team during the fall season include the University of Maryland-Baltimore County, Mount St. Mary's, Frostburg State and American.

## Men's streak ends at four

George Mason drops GW from unbeaten ranks

BY MATT GREEN  
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

The Colonials' tasted the bitter pill of defeat for the first time this season in a 3-0 road defeat Wednesday at the hands of George Mason University.

George Mason, currently ranked 18th in the nation by Soccer America magazine, had by far its toughest contest of the young season.

George Mason set the mood of this slugfest early as senior John Ferrandino scored the first goal 56 seconds into the contest.

Barely into the game, Ferrandino received a pass from Vincent Marcotrigiano and sent a 10-yard shot past the right post.

Although the Colonials held tough defensively for the remainder of the first half, they were unable to muster much offense and were held to five shots on goal for the half.

It was the Patriots, though, who broke the scoring drought with six minutes left in the half. Marcotrigiano scored the goal after he took a long throw-in from sophomore Mark Vita and sent a 15-yard shot past Colonial sophomore goalkeeper Dave Aman. Aman played in place of injured starter Ward McIntyre.

Despite the 2-0 deficit, the Colonials still kept up the fight. In most regards, GW battled the Patriots to a standstill the second half.

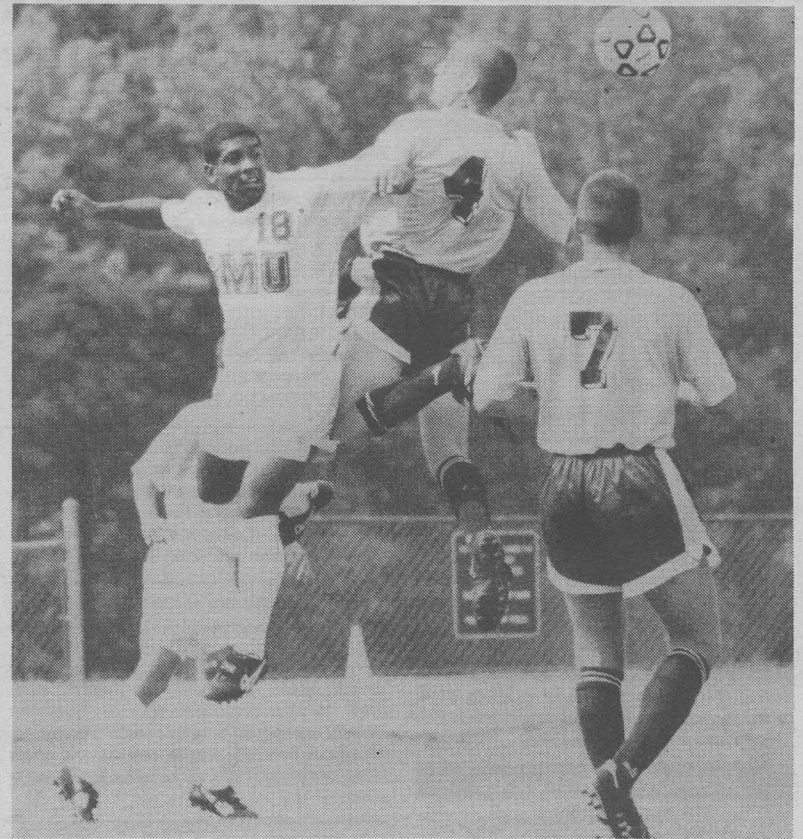


photo by Daman Irby

GW's Craig Jones flies through heavy traffic to get a header against George Mason Wednesday.

"We played most of the game in their half of the field," said GW senior Steve Masten. "George Mason was just able to capitalize on our mistakes."

The GW defense buckled down and allowed only six shots on goal for the entire second half. But the Colonial offense was stifled as well and was held to four scoring opportunities for the entire half.

With a just four minutes to play, George Mason again broke the long scoreless interval. Ferrandino sent a pass to the right wing to sophomore Andy Manners, who

then crossed it back into the middle. Marcotrigiano headed it inside the right post for the final tally.

"It was a great learning lesson," said Masten. "I think coach Lidster put it well when he said 'The freshmen are doing their jobs, but now the seniors need to step it up.'"

The score did not reflect the true nature of the game. GW played with George Mason the entire contest, but the lack of shots on goal combined with George Mason's few break-aways were enough to turn the tide against the Colonials.

## SETTING THE STAGE



## PROBABLE STARTERS

NAME	YEAR	POS.
VTYURINA	SR.	OH
LAMMERT	SR.	OH
TA	SR.	S
KRIMMEL	FR.	MB
KORVER	FR.	MB
McNAB	JR.	MB

## George Washington (5-2)

Last Game: Beat Duke, 3-0, Sept. 9

The Colonial Women return to Washington after a three-game road trip in which they went 3-0, winning the Tennessee Invitational Tournament. Although Svetlana Vtyurina will be continuing her chase for the all-time kills title, the GW offense has been developing other weapons, including senior Jill Lammert and freshmen Megan Korver and Kara Deringer. GW holds the edge in the annual D.C. rivalry, 25-21, including last year's 3-0 wipeout.

## GW at Georgetown, Thursday, 7:00 p.m., McDonough Arena



## PROBABLE STARTERS

NAME	YEAR	POS.
BLOODGOOD	SOPH.	S
ESTES	SOPH.	OH
McNAMARA	SOPH.	DS
O'ROURKE	JR.	OH
STANNARD	JR.	OH
TYTKO	FR.	OH

## Georgetown (4-4)

Last Game: Lost to Maryland, 3-0, Sept. 12

The Hoyas started slow this season, but rebounded by winning three of four at the Georgetown Invitational Tournament. Hoyas coach Jolene Nagel will look to junior Danielle Stannard (71 kills), freshman Melissa Tytko (62 kills), and sophomore Lindsay Estes (58 kills) to provide the offense against the Colonials. Georgetown's seniors should be properly motivated for this game; the Hoyas have not beaten GW in three years.



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### JOB NETWORKING EVENT

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